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Applicant hereby petitions for the withdrawal of this application from issue.

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The reason for withdrawal from issue and abandonment of this application is for consideration of an information disclosure statement in this application, 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c).

A Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal and Information Disclosure Statement are filed separately.

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## <u>Remarks</u>

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Applicant respectfully requests consideration of references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed concurrently herewith.

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